

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

14 May 1954

Present

Members: [REDACTED] CIA, Chairman  
[REDACTED], CIA  
25X1A Stanley Wilcox, State  
Richard Bauer, Army  
25X1A Lt. Cdr. Gilbert W. Roberts, Navy  
Maj. Howard G. Neumann, Air Force  
[REDACTED] NSA

Consultants: [REDACTED] CIA  
[REDACTED] CIA  
25X1A [REDACTED] CIA  
25X1A [REDACTED] CIA  
Charles Stanley, State  
25X1A William Hudson, Navy  
[REDACTED] NSA

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1. The twenty-sixth meeting convened at 1400 hours and the minutes of the twenty-fifth meeting were approved.
2. No general objections having been offered to [REDACTED] draft memorandum to the Procurement Subcommittee, the paper will be transmitted to that body from this Subcommittee with a few minor editorial changes.
3. Consideration of satellite scientific and technical exploitation:
  - a. Mr. Wilcox stated that generally State Department had shown little manifestation of serious interest in satellite scientific effort because current staff limitations made it imperative to focus major effort on the USSR.
  - b. Mr. Bauer stated that Army would find it desirable to have more emphasis on non-Slavic language areas, particularly Hungary, China and Rumania.
  - c. Mr. Hudson presented Navy's needs as the same as stated for the USSR.
  - d. Maj. Neumann considered Air Force's interest in satellite coverage as similar to USSR needs but to a lesser degree. He also stated in answer to paragraph 7 of the minutes of the 25th meeting that AID has not the facilities to cover Eastern Satellite scientific and technical books.

e. [REDACTED] stated that NSA's interest in satellite exploitation was the same as for the USSR.

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f. [REDACTED] stated that CIA's interest in satellite exploitation, excepting China, was the same as for the USSR. He presented a summary of required features of Chinese exploitation which is attached to the Subcommittee record. (Copies distributed at meeting)

4. In review of the Subcommittee's findings on satellite exploitation the Chairman summed up as follows:

a. Accessions lists and tables of contents required are generally covered by EEAL. Additional needs presented to the Subcommittee will be passed on to the Library of Congress so that desired coverage will be provided. FDD will supplement by providing tables of contents for Chinese periodicals.

b. No facilities are known for providing annotations of East European scientific books. FDD will study the problem and report when its findings are complete. FDD will provide annotations of Chinese scientific books.

c. Scientific and technical news items are now being reported by FDD.

d. Abstracting of satellite scientific material: FDD will examine the problem if members will present specific lists of material titles desired. There are no known facilities at this time for providing such abstracts.

e. FDD has not the facilities to undertake analyses of satellite scientific trends. No other facilities are known at this time which can provide such service.

5. Mr. Wilcox stated that State Department in reviewing its needs would like to clarify the desire for semiannual collations summarizing new information on progress in USSR science education incorporating comparative background information. The Chairman stated that FDD would study this and report.

6. The question of abstracts and extracts of USSR publications was raised, and CIA and Navy would like to reconsider some journal titles with a possibility of adding some periodicals to the list agreed upon for the USSR. FDD will estimate the workload incident to such additions when these titles are presented and report to the Subcommittee.

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7. The Subcommittee at [REDACTED] suggestion requested FDD, as executive agent of the Subcommittee, review accomplishments of the scientific and technical program as agreed upon and report results in six months after inauguration.

The Chairman stated that FDD will review all such programs agreed upon by the Subcommittee and report accomplishments at such periods as the Subcommittee deems desirable.

8. In answer to a question by Mr. Bauer, the Chairman stated that graphics material will be reported with science news items by FDD.

9. The Subcommittee unanimously agreed that no exploitation effort should be devoted to Free World scientific and technical literature.

10. Agenda for the next meeting will include:

a. Abstracting per paragraph 6 above.

b. Subcommittee agreement on exploitation of nonscientific Chinese publications. (Proposed agreement distributed to members)

*Spec proposal on Italy*

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c. Nonscientific exploitation on Eastern Satellites minus Germany/Bulgaria, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Hungary, Albania<sup>7</sup>. The Subcommittee has agreed that these countries may be examined together.

11. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting will be held at 1400 hours, Friday, 28 May 1954 in Room 2125 M Building.

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